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In Re Application of : Keith M. Scott

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AMENDMENT UNDER RULE 312Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Examiner's Amendment dated September 8, 1998, I am
proposed to amend new claim 6, as follows:

3/ (AMENDED) The method according to claim [3] 1/ further
including the step of aligning each bedknife on said locator horizontal surfaces by
positioning an edge of said bedknife against vertical locator surfaces prior to energizing
each electromagnet.

REMARKS

Claim 6 should be dependent on new claim 4 rather than claim 3.

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